Motion without Notice

MM24.22  ACTION  

421 Roncesvalles Avenue - Intention to Designate under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act - by Councillor Gord Perks, seconded by Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam

* Notice of this Motion has not been given. A two-thirds vote is required to waive notice. 
* This Motion is subject to referral to the Toronto and East York Community Council. A two-thirds vote is required to waive referral. 
* This Motion has been deemed urgent by the Chair.

Recommendations
Councillor Gord Perks, seconded by Councillor Kristyn Wong-Tam, recommends that:

1. City Council adopt the following recommendations contained in the report (January 20, 2017) from the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning:

   1. City Council include the property at 421 Roncesvalles Avenue (including the address at 61 Howard Park Avenue) on the City of Toronto's Heritage Register.

   2. City Council state its intention to designate the property at 421 Roncesvalles Avenue (including the address at 61 Howard Park Avenue) under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act, in accordance with the Statement of Significance: 421 Roncesvalles Avenue (Reasons for Designation) attached as Attachment 3 to the report (January 20, 2017) from the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning Division.

   3. If there are no objections to the designation in accordance with the Ontario Heritage Act, City Council authorize the City Solicitor to introduce the necessary bill in Council.

   4. If there are objections in accordance with the Ontario Heritage Act, City Council direct the City Clerk to refer the designation to the Conservation Review Board.

   5. If the designation is referred to the Conservation Review Board, City Council authorize the City Solicitor and appropriate staff to attend any hearing held by the Conservation Review Board in support of Council's decision.

Summary
The Toronto Preservation Board will consider the report (January 20, 2017) from the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning recommending that Toronto City Council state
its intention to designate 421 Roncesvalles Avenue under Part VI, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act at its meeting scheduled for January 26, 2017.

The property at 421 Roncesvalles Avenue is valued as a well-crafted early-20th century bank branch designed with Edwardian Classical styling according to Beaux-Arts principles by the notable Toronto architect, John M. Lyle that contributes to the character of Roncesvalles Avenue where it anchors the southeast corner of Howard Park Avenue.

On October 21, 2016, the owners of the property applied for a demolition permit which is currently under review. Building permit applications for construction or demolition are reviewed for compliance against the Building Code Act, 1992, the Ontario Building Code (the “OBC”), and all applicable law, as that term is defined in the OBC.

Under the Ontario Heritage Act, initiating a designation is one way of protecting a threatened heritage property to allow more time for considering alternatives.

**Background Information (City Council)**

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(January 20, 2017) Report from the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning Division on Intention to Designate under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act - 421 Roncesvalles Avenue

(http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2017/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-100844.pdf)

(January 26, 2017) Transmittal from the Toronto Preservation Board on intention to designate 421 Roncesvalles Avenue under Part IV, Section 29 of the Ontario Heritage Act (MM24.22a)

(http://www.toronto.ca/legdocs/mmis/2017/mm/bgrd/backgroundfile-100835.pdf)